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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A MINIMALIST APPROACH
TO IMPLEMENTING SERVER SELECTION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply for filing in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The claims fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | | | | | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----|-------|----|------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----|--|
| | | | | RATE | | ADDITIONAL FEE | | | |
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| INDEP | 6 | MINUS | ** | 9 | | 0 | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | | X \$25 | \$ | X 50 | \$ | |
| | | | | | X \$100 | \$ | X \$200 | \$ | |
| | | | | | + \$180 | \$ | + \$360 | \$ | |
| | | | | | TOTAL = \$ _____ | | TOTAL = \$ _____ | | |

* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

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| | | | X \$125 | \$[] | X \$250 | \$[] | |

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Respectfully submitted,

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